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Maxwell Wood, United States Attorney for the Middle District of Georgia announces a new assignment he will undertake at the request of the Department of Justice. In addition to his United States Attorney's appointment he will serve as the Department of Justice Attaché to the American Embassy in Baghdad, Iraq. Mr. Wood's duties will include a leadership role in training Iraqi Judges, Prosecutors, law enforcement officials and other Court System personnel. He anticipates traveling to Iraq in June 2005. He will remain in Iraq for 6 months.

During this tenure in Iraq Mr. Wood will remain the United States Attorney for the Middle District of Georgia. Wood stated, "I am confident that the staff of the United States Attorney's Office will continue to provide the citizens of the Middle District of Georgia with excellent legal services during my absence. Although I will not be in the Middle District on a daily basis, I will be engaged with the staff through modern technology on a consistent basis and upon my return will continue to serve as the United States Attorney".

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